



RAINS DAMAGE TOBOGGAN SLIDE

COLD WEATHER PROMISES
EARLY RESUMPTION OF
SPORTS

Just as the Winter Sports association had one of its toboggan slides ready for use, along came several days of rain last week and just about ruined the work that had been done in that line. It was a great disappointment to many, especially young people and others who were home for the holiday season. However the men at the Winter Sports park are busy getting ready to replace it and to build a second one just as soon as the weather grows colder.

Of course snow is a necessity too for this work, but there is a movement being made to build the slides of ice, an almost unlimited supply being available at little cost. It is the belief of many that this will not only permit earlier activities on the toboggan slide but also an improvement on the usual system of construction.

The ice rink has been working overtime and both young and old have been having the time of their lives on skates. If you see any of the adult population limping or appearing to be stiff in their joints, just attribute it to over-indulgence on the ice before muscles become accustomed to the new exercise. It's so much fun that one dislikes to quit.

Clarence Johnson, president of the association makes a number of requests, all of which are well justified. Among other things he reports the theft of some of the materials at the park, such as rope, wire, electric light bulbs, etc. This is everyone's park and it is up to all of us to help find out who it is that is doing this stealing. Everyone should be on the lookout and evidence found should be reported promptly to those in authority or to the law enforcement officers.

Timely Suggestions And Requests
Mr. Johnson's suggestions and requests are as follows:

Please leave your Christmas trees in the street in front of your home and we will pick them up for use at the Winter Park.

There have been a great many things stolen at our Park—rope, wire, electric light bulbs, etc. If the people are caught they will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. This is a community enterprise but it does not mean that our equipment is for the public to take at will.

We request that no one skate on the ice rink or use the slide when the lights are not on, or when there is no one there in charge of the park.

Do not bring dogs to the park with you.

School children may have free use of park on all days except Sundays, unless their parents are members of our association; then they may use it at all times.

As the rink is in shape again charges will be made and you may purchase your tickets at the equipment building.

Dance New Year's Eve.

Do not forget our dance New Year's Eve (Saturday night). We need the money badly as our bad luck is still with us.

MRS. AXEL SWANSON PASS- ED AWAY

Mrs. Alma C. Swanson, wife of Axel Swanson passed away at her home Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock following a lingering illness. Coupled with her illness she developed pneumonia which hastened her demise. It was a sad happening just on the Eve of Christmas and the bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

Alma C. Carlson was born in Sweden, October 1, 1884 and when she was a young woman came to this country. In 1907 she was united in marriage to Oscar Swanson and to the union six children were born, all of whom survive. The family came to Grayling to reside in 1915 and Mr. Swanson went to work for the duPont company and remained in their employ until they ceased operations. His health began to fail and he passed away in 1929 and in 1930 Mrs. Swanson was married again, this time to Axel Swanson.

The Swanson family have always been fine citizens. Mrs. Swanson was a good neighbor and was loved by her family and friends, and her passing is regretted by many.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon with services at the Michigan Memorial church, Rev. H. J. Salmon officiating. Mrs. Roy Milnes and Mrs. Harold Jarmin accompanied by Mrs. C. G. Clippert rendered two hymns very beautifully during the service. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery, the following acting as pallbearers, A. E. Hendrickson, Chris King, Frank Beckman, Frank LaMotte, Middle LaMotte, John Harrison.

Surviving the deceased besides her husband are her daughters, Mrs. Tony Gross, Misses Lillian, Elizabeth, Eva, Dorothy, and one son Wilbur.

KIDDIES HAVE NICE CHRISTMAS

Despite the fact that Old Man Weather just more than tried to make things uncomfortable on the day that George Burke's Santa Claus was to be at the Community Christmas tree, Santa put one over on him and the kiddies received their sacks of candy and nuts just the same.

There was a steady downpour of rain just at the time that Santa was going to make his debut but hundreds of children were on hand. So George Olson who was treating the youngsters to a free performance that afternoon opened the doors of the Rialto and 657 children enjoyed seeing "Huckleberry Finn."

After the show Santa Claus, who was cleverly portrayed by Jess Schoonover met the children in the lobby of the Rialto and gave them a hearty greeting and each one received a large sack of candy, peanuts and a popcorn ball, and went home happy.

George Burke who was the instigator of the affair just as he has been for years was assisted by some of the business men, who helped to finance the purchase of the treat for the kiddies. This is a fine spirit and George Olson, Mr. Burke and the others are all to be highly commended for their thoughtfulness.

PERCY GIFFIN CRITICALLY HURT

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY HIS
YOUNGER BROTHER

Percy Giffin, age 18, lies in a critical condition in Mercy Hospital from gunshot wounds inflicted accidentally by his younger brother Grant, age 10. The accident occurred Tuesday afternoon at the home of their grandfather Robert W. Giffin with whom they had resided since young children.

It appears that the two boys had been playing with the gun, which was a 12 gauge shotgun, when it accidentally discharged, the shot tearing away the front part of Percy's abdomen. Grant in his excitement started for the railroad to notify his grandfather who is employed on the section. Percy, in his agony staggered out of the back door and lay down upon the ground. Edward Sorenson, a young son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sorenson ran home and told his father that Percy had been shot, and Mr. Sorenson went to the Giffin home followed by Tony Nelson, and the latter and Howard Schmidt hurried him to the hospital.

The little fellow is in serious condition but is reported this morning to be holding his own very well. The Giffin boys are both fine young lads and everyone is pulling for Percy to recover.

125 BASKETS DISTRIBUTED

Grayling Welfare Committee did themselves proud when they were able to supply 125 families with Christmas baskets. The first plan was for seventy-five and before Christmas Eve they had reached the 125 point. Very liberal donations of all kinds of foods were sent to Danebod hall where the baskets were made ready for distribution and there was everything in the baskets that anyone could wish for.

Mrs. C. G. Clippert was chairman of the Welfare committee and she had an army of willing workers who put forth every effort that no family would want for a good Christmas and the kiddies too were supplied with toys and candies and nuts. On Saturday morning various trucks donated their services and with the help of a number of boys they were soon distributed.

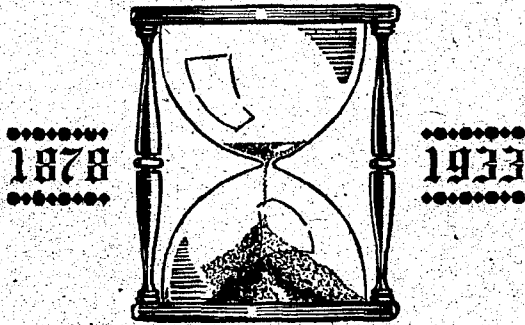
The committee in charge wishes to thank all for their kind donations and also those who in any way helped with the worthy work. The results were very gratifying and there are many who should receive special mention for their efforts, but lest some name would be accidentally omitted, we refrain from making any mention of names. However all is very much appreciated.

E. J. MARSHALL, TOLEDO, FEEDS DEER AND GAME BIRDS

E. J. Marshall who resides in Toledo in winter, and on the AuSable in summer, has made arrangements with Henry Stephan, their summer-home caretaker, for feeding the partridge, prairie chickens and deer in that part of Grayling township through the winter season.

Vast quantities of grains and alfalfa hay has been purchased for that purpose and Mr. Stephan is attending to the systematic feeding of these birds and animals. There is a lot of this variety of wild game in that part of Grayling township and Mr. Marshall is interested in their welfare, just for the pleasure of his family and their guests in seeing them during the summer months.

There are others doing these things, perhaps on a smaller scale, but we know this pleases a lot of people, like ourselves, who would rather see wild game alive and in their natural state than to kill them. While we know we are not in accord with the opinions of some of the people in this vicinity, we would like to see Crawford county closed to deer hunting for at least three years, if not indefinitely. We believe that the attraction of wild deer and other wild game to our summer citizens and visiting tourists would far outweigh any benefits that may come from the annual influx of hunters. At least



GRAYLING is our home; we are a part of this city, and we trust that at all times we have been thoughtful about doing our part in the works of the community. We want to be loyal, and we try to be loyal at all times to the city and county and to all the people of this community. We want to be able to help to plan wisely for the future welfare of our community.

That's the way we feel about Grayling and Grayling people, and we know that that is the spirit that helps a community to prosper and grow.

We extend our best wishes for a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

Crawford Avalanche

NEW YEAR'S PARTY DEC. 31ST

"NEW YEAR'S JIG", that's what the annual holiday party is styled that will be given at the High School gymnasium on New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31st. This party, which will be an informal affair, will take place of the annual Charity party that has been given for the past several years by the Hospital Aid society.

The affair this year will be handled by the Winter Sports Association and the entire proceeds will be used in that venture. There will be pretty decorations and favors, and at midnight the

we would like to see all deer counties in Lower Michigan either closed to hunting, or all open, and not permit wild life protection in a few counties and not in the others. Some complaint is heard that in such event the deer would overrun agricultural sections and do much crop damage, but we believe this could easily be provided against. Anyway we favor better protection for our wild life, and hope that steps may be taken soon to bring this about.

new year will be ushered in amid showers of confetti. So don't miss the big party of the season as everyone is planning on being there. If you have any guests, entertain them at this big community watch party. You and your friends are cordially invited and assured a most pleasant time.

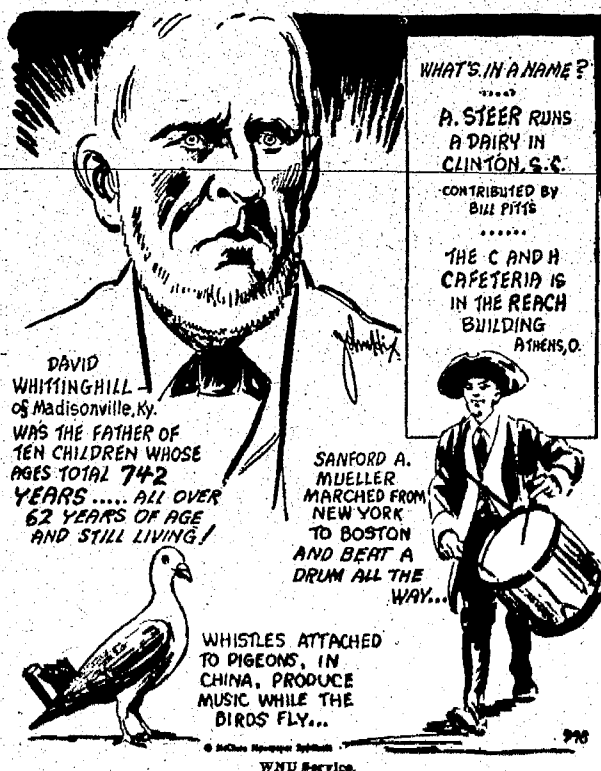
For music the Northerners Dance band, directed by Mr. Davis of West Branch has been engaged. Mr. Davis will have in his band players from Bay City, Saginaw, and Detroit and this feature promises to be tip-top.

Committees of the Winter Sports Association are working hard to make the affair a success and your presence at the party will help in a big way.

UNKNOWN HUSBANDS OF FAMOUS WOMEN FORM CLUB

How they have banded together for comfort on the principle that obscurity, like misery, loves company, is told in The American Weekly, distributed with the January 1st Detroit Sunday Times. Read about the irritating and humiliating experiences of these husbands.

ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



\$10,000,000 SAVING IS SEEN IF LEGIS- LATURE ADOPTS REPORT OF COST COM.

Investigators Recommend Shake-up of State Government to Relieve Taxpayer's Burden

SECURITIES COMMISSION WILL BE ABOLISHED AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS WILL BE RESTRICTED, IS RECOMMENDED

Abolishment of useless boards and bureaus; restriction of state administrative board powers; cutting away of fancy ideas in education; drastic slashes in pay in high salaried governmental positions; return of control over appropriations and revenues to the legislature—these and other revolutionary measures are among the recommendations made in the report of the committee of inquiry into the costs of state government. It is said that more than \$10,000,000 will be hopped from the biennial budget bill during the approaching session of the state legislature, if the recommendations are made effective.

The securities commission will be abolished, the activities of the department of public instruction will be curbed with a resultant saving of \$300,000, many unnecessary duties of the department of agriculture will be dropped, inspections of apiaries, pine blister rust and fruit flies will be stopped, with a saving of \$50,000. The state highway department will be given the control of state parks, the conservation department will not be supported by property taxes, the health department duties will be curtailed with a saving of \$150,000 and the expensive plumbing code, class legislation, will be cast aside if the recommendations of the nine-man commission that has probed state expense the past six months are adopted by the new legislature elected on a tax reduction platform.

Activities Curbed.

The state library will be forced to go on its own without the heavy appropriations of the past, a parole system will be set up so that 2000 prisoners may be released to reduce prison costs, high school athletics will be given back to schools and state supervision abolished, teachers will remain in their school rooms instead of being paid to attend institutes, the powers of the state administrative board will be curbed, hundreds of inspectors who have travelled about Michigan in state-owned cars will no longer be employed, employees of the senate and house will be paid only when they work and the rate of pay and the number of employees will be reduced, if the 1933 legislature accepts the provisions recommended by the commission.

High-priced farmers at the Boys' Vocational school will no longer farm at state expense, the superintendent will draw a reasonable salary, fewer employees will be hired at every state institution and the institutional frills which have in the past pauperized taxpayers will be eliminated if the legislature carries out the recommendations of the nine legislators who have been investigating state costs.

University Slashed.
Nearly \$2,000,000 will be saved at the University of Michigan alone. A holiday will be declared in building. The university will receive only the tax collected and not the full amount of the assess-

year. The power of fixing salaries of probate judges will be given to the boards of supervisors instead of the legislature. Circuit court stenographers will take a slash. These regulations will be made if the legislature gives its approval. Services Expanded.

"There is a maximum burden which government can impose upon its people," the report recites. The commission report then points out that as a result of "more than two decades of unprecedented expansion of public service, unwise public spending, ventures into new fields of governmental functions and a general disregard for the taxpayer and his ability to pay," Michigan has been brought to a condition approaching bankruptcy.

It is also pointed out in the report that after exhaustive investigation in all fields of governmental activity, the commissioners are agreed four tests should always be applied before any function of government should be initiated or continued. These questions are (1) Is the need for it real? (2) Is there no other or better way of achieving the same object? (3) Can not the object sought be as well accomplished by private endeavor? (4) Can the taxpayer afford it?

Added revenues for support of government are impossible, the report points out. "Every dollar of new revenue must be applied to a more equitable distribution of the necessary costs of essential government. It no longer remains a question of what would be desirable—the question now is, can it be supported?" the commissioners insist.

Bills Prepared.

It is reported that more than 100 bills have been prepared under direction of the commission and are ready for introduction when the 1933 legislature convenes. Each of these proposed measures is aimed at correcting some policy or practice in government which is now costing the taxpayers excessive amounts.

The commission was directed by the act creating it to inquire into the feasibility of instituting a system of civil service in state employment. This the commission has decided against, pointing out that present economic conditions does not warrant it. Complete classification of all positions in state service and a schedule of uniform salaries for each made comparable with salaries paid for similar services in private employment have been agreed upon and included as a part of the report. It will be found that many salaries provided are far below those paid at present and much below those paid in state service prior to the 15 per cent reduction decreed by the 1932 special session, those familiar with the report declare.

Curb Administration Board.
The subject of the state administrative board and its elaborate organization for purchasing and accounting has long been the source of much conflict of opinion. The commission went into this matter at considerable length. In several instances the commission

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Saturday, Dec. 31st, (only)
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THURSDAY, DEC. 29, 1932

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

(By Congressman Roy O. Woodruff, Tenth Michigan District).

The House and Senate conferees have reached an agreement on the Philippine Independence Bill. The Senate, after a few minutes discussion, unanimously adopted the conference report. The House will undoubtedly approve the same also, as soon as it can be presented there for consideration. Whether the President will approve the bill is problematical. It is doubtful if a two-thirds vote of each house can be found to pass the bill provided Mr. Hoover vetoes it.

There is and has been much controversy throughout the country as to the desirability of granting to the people of the Philippines their complete independence. There are those who believe that these people have not as yet progressed sufficiently in the science of self-government to enable them to govern themselves in a way that would insure a successful, prosperous and an independent future for this nation of 12,000,000 souls.

There are those also who believe that regardless of how well they could govern themselves, a withdrawal of this government from the Islands would eventually result in another strong nation sending their armed forces there to "protect their nationals" or for some other excuse equally convenient, with the result that the armed forces would remain and independence for these people permanently end.

There are some who for various reasons would not consent to Philippine independence under any circumstances. These include those who have invested their money in various enterprises in the Islands and who for this selfish reason would continue to keep these people in subjection all down the years.

As I write this I am reminded of something which occurred when I was in the Islands some years ago. An American engaged in the manufacture of hemp rope, asked me to inspect his plant in Manila. This I was glad to do, of course. As we were passing by the various machines I noticed a Chinese boy not more than 12 years old operating one of them. I stopped to watch him and came to the conclusion he was quite as efficient as were his elders working on the other machines.

I asked the employer how much he paid the boy per week, how long he had been working, etc. He said he had been working about six months and that he paid him nothing. This was rather startling information so I pursued the matter further. I asked him how it came about and how he could justify such a thing.

He said: "His father works for me. He came to me one day and said the boy was old enough to have a job and wanted me to give him one. I told him I couldn't pay the boy anything but he could come to work if he liked. He came and has been here ever since. It's better for him to be here than running the streets." How prevalent such outrageous things are over there I do not know, but I do know that American business men and employers are unpopular, and if the attitude of this particular American is typical of the others it is not difficult to find the reason.

There are those who object to independence for these people because of the political and commercial importance of the Islands to this country. They look into the future and visualize a great American outpost there which will dominate the channels of trade radiating everywhere throughout an awakened and pacified Asia. They overlook the fact that such an outpost must, in order to prove useful, safe and permanent, be as impregnable from a military standpoint, as Gibraltar itself. They forget also that our present

defenses there could be destroyed and taken in a very short time by any well-equipped, determined expeditionary force, and that we are prohibited from increasing or improving these defenses by the treaty we signed at the Washington disarmament conference in 1922.

They forget also that it is 6,900 miles from San Francisco and 4,800 from Honolulu to Manila. Under present conditions, to successfully defend the Philippines from either of these distant military and naval bases is impossible. In the event of war they would be lost to us within a few weeks. To retake them would require sacrifices in human life too horrible to contemplate. Our presence there is construed by certain strong Asiatic nations as a menace to their future prosperity and to their national security. As long as we remain there we are inviting the contingency outlined above.

Nearly everyone believes that when we took over the control of the government, the welfare and the happiness of these people, we assumed an obligation to govern and protect them until such time as they can do this for themselves. The greatest division of opinion exists as to whether that time has now come. The Filipinos themselves insist that it has. They are becoming more impatient for independence as time goes on and this impatience has manifested itself from time to time in riots directed against Americans in the Islands. Every President since McKinley has subscribed to the doctrine of granting them independence. They ask, "why not now?"

I shall continue the discussion of this subject in my next week's letter.

DEPT. OF STATE**STATE NEWS BULLETIN**

Michigan's actual vote for president will be cast Jan. 4 when the state's 19 presidential electors meet in the senate chamber.

The electors are required by law to sign six copies of the report of their meeting. The first copy is sent to the President of the United States; the next two copies are sent to the Federal Department of State; the next two copies are delivered to the Michigan Department of State; and the last copy is sent to the Senior Federal Judge in Michigan.

Until 1929, it was necessary for a messenger to carry the report from Lansing to Washington every four years. The need for the messenger was eliminated by preparing the six copies of the report and sending them to the various officials.

Copies of 1933 motor vehicle registration lists will cost \$40.00. In 1931, the lists were sold at \$200.00 a set. As a result of competitive bidding the 1932 motor vehicle lists were sold at \$50.00 a set while next year bids resulted in a still further saving.

State laws provide that motor vehicle registration lists be compiled annually by the Department of State and distributed without cost to various law enforcing agencies throughout the state, and also permits the sale of additional copies at a price to be fixed by the department.

Michigan won a \$100,000 a year victory when the United States Supreme Court upheld the ruling of the Department of State that the Detroit International Bridge company should pay a yearly corporation tax of approximately \$3,000.

The case before the high tribunal marked the first time in the state's history when Michigan was represented in the United States Supreme Court by a state employee who was not a member of the attorney general's staff. In this case, Mrs. Alice E. Alexander, an attorney and head of the corporation division of the department, successfully defended her ruling by representing the state in Washington.

The bridge company sought to avoid tax payment on the ground that it was engaged in international commerce. The Department of State levied the tax on the theory that the company was not engaged in foreign commerce but merely received a rental for use of the bridge. Other bridge, dock and tunnel companies that pay the state approximately \$100,000 a year in corporation taxes planned similar appeals had the bridge company been successful.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people of Frederick and Grayling for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy in our recent sorrow.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Laurent on December 14th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Olson and sons spent Christmas in Bay City, guests of Miss Margaret Failing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Darveau spent Sunday in Alpena visiting Mr. and Mrs. Milo Thorne and daughter Jean.

Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Green and daughter Anna May spent the holidays with the former's mother Mrs. T. J. Doyle in Bay City.

Place your Christmas trees in front of your home and they will be called for by the Winter Sports Association to be used at the park.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles White and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hoffman of Lansing over Christmas. The ladies are sisters of Mrs. Roberts.

In the guessing contest held at Conhine's grocery recently Richard Lovey was the winner. Alpena was the winning town, and the prize was a full set of silverware and of very pretty pattern.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Herbison were hosts to ten ladies and gentlemen at their home last evening when cards were enjoyed. Prizes were won by Mrs. Albert Roberts and Jess Sales. A delicious late supper was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McNeven accompanied Mrs. Nels Olson and Mrs. Nick Schjotz to Saginaw Monday. Mrs. Olson and Mrs. Schjotz left immediately via rail for California where they will visit Mrs. Marie Fisher and other friends.

There will be special devotions at St. Mary's church on New Year's Eve from 7:00 until 8:00 o'clock in thanksgiving for benefits received in the past year. Again on Sunday afternoon from 2:30 until 3:30 o'clock the devotions will be repeated for the recurrence of old times.

An alarm of fire was sounded this noon calling the fire department to the home of Carl Tahvonen. Something went wrong with the lights when Mrs. Tahvonen disconnected the plug that lighted their Christmas tree and it caught fire filling the house with smoke before it could be extinguished. It was not however before the department arrived, with little damage done.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson entertained with a family dinner at their home on Christmas Eve. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and Misses Margrethe and Olga there were present Miss Anna Nelson, Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nelson and two children, Chris Hemmingson, Miss Margrethe Hemmingson, Harold Edwards, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hemmingson and two daughters of Detroit.

Grayling Lumberjacks last week trounced the West Branch Rangers on the home court to the tune of 46 to 36 in a good game of basketball. Last night the "Jacks" however took a trimming at Gaylord, when they lost to St. Mary's Athletic team by three points, the score being 23 to 20. It was a fast, hot contest with each side fighting to the finish. Next Wednesday, Jan. 4, the Lumberjacks will play the Kalkaska All Stars at the local gym.

Many of the Danish people enjoyed the annual Christmas party at the Danebod hall, Monday evening. A prettily lighted Christmas tree, a program and lunch made it the pleasant affair it always is at the holiday season. The program was given by the Sunday school, Rev. Hans Juhl opening it by telling a Christmas story. The choir sang a number and Elma Mae Sorenson rendered a lovely piano solo; also the latter and her cousin Lois Sorenson sang a pretty duet, accompanied by Evelyn Sorenson. The evening was enjoyed by all present.

December 31st terminates the official duties of two of our efficient county officials—Sheriff Bobenmoyer and Register of Deeds Mrs. Eva Reagan. The former will be succeeded by Frank Bennett and Mrs. Reagan by Ronnow Hanson, both of whom were elected November 8th. Mr. Bennett hasn't announced his deputy appointments as yet, except that Frank May will continue as undersheriff. Neither Mr. Bobenmoyer nor Mrs. Reagan have decided, they say, what they intend to do in the future. Both have been excellent officials and we trust their successors will be found equally efficient.

The wets are showing downright pleasure at the prospect of having a new way of taxing themselves. It is the first time in history, so far as we know, when a new tax has been a subject for jubilation.—Portland Oregonian.

News Review of Current Events the World Over**House Passes Bill Legalizing 3.2 Per Cent Beer—President Hoover Plans Debt Commission and Asks Roosevelt's Co-Operation.**

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CHAIRMAN COLLIER'S bill legalizing the manufacture and sale of beer was put through the house by a vote of 230 to 185 after all attempts to amend it had been defeated. The beer is to have an alcoholic content of 3.2 per cent by weight or 4 per cent by volume and is to be sold over the bar or in eating places, the understanding being that it is not intoxicating in fact and therefore should not be restricted. The excise tax placed on the beer is \$5 for a 31-gallon barrel. A brewers' permit tax of \$1,000 was voted. The old revenue tax of \$30 for wholesalers in beer and \$25 for retailers were re-enacted.

The bill prohibits the shipment of beer, ale, or porter from wet states into dry states whose laws forbid such shipments and sales. The penalty for such violations is set at a maximum of \$1,000 or six months in jail.

During a day of strenuous debate the wets fought off all attempts of the dries to defeat or nullify the measure and were themselves held in line by the able management of Representative Henry T. Rainey of Illinois, the majority leader. To him and Chairman Collier most of the credit for the victory was given by Speaker Garner. The classification of the vote was as follows: 133 Democrats, 96 Republicans and one Farmer-Laborite voted for the bill, and 64 Democrats and 101 Republicans against it.

The Collier bill, it was evident, faces a fight in the senate, but leaders of the upper house were confident some sort of beer bill would be passed by that body, probably within 30 days.

ENTRAPMENT by federal officers in prohibition law violation cases was condemned by the United States Supreme court in a ruling on a case brought up from North Carolina. The majority opinion, read by the chief justice, reversed the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals which had upheld the trial judge in refusing to allow the defense of entrapment to go to the jury. The case was remanded for retrial.

"It is clear," the majority opinion said, "that the evidence was sufficient to warrant a finding that the act for which the defendant was prosecuted was instigated by the prohibition agent, that it was the creature of his purpose, that defendant had no previous disposition to commit it, but was an industrious, law abiding citizen, and that the agent lured the defendant, otherwise innocent, to its commission by repeated and persistent solicitation, in which he succeeded by taking advantage of the sentiment aroused by the reminiscences of their experiences as companions in arms in the World War."

"Such a gross abuse of authority given for the purpose of detecting and punishing crime, and not for the making of criminals, deserves the severest condemnation, but the question whether it precludes prosecution or affords a ground of defense, and if so, upon what theory, has given rise to conflicting opinions."

ONCE more President Hoover tried to obtain the co-operation of his successor in the handling of the war debt problem, and once more he failed.

The Chief Executive in a special message to congress, said he proposed to go ahead with his plans for some sort of reconsideration of the debts owed by the nations that have not defaulted, and that he intended to name a commission which would handle that matter and also take part in the general economic conference and the conference on disarmament, holding that the three questions were inextricably connected. The commission, he said, could discuss with the debtor nations trade and other concessions and reduction of armaments in exchange for the scaling down of the debts. Mr. Hoover said he would ask Mr. Roosevelt to help in the selection of the members of the commission and otherwise cooperate, for he realized on settlement could possibly be concluded until long after his own term had ended.

Governor Roosevelt called Owen D. Young into conference, and after talking for two hours with that eminent banker and reparations expert he answered the President by telegraph, saying that he was opposed to the creation of a war debt commission and also to linking the debts with either the armament conference or the coming general economic conference. He reiterated his previous statement to the effect that the government should treat separately with each debtor nation and that this could best be done through diplomatic channels.

Democrats as well as Republicans in congress praised the President's message, some declaring it was the best state paper he had written. But the Democrats seemed to agree with Mr. Roosevelt that the latter should not take a hand in the debt matter until he became President. Mr. Hoover evidently is not to receive any active support from the Democrats in congress in carrying out his three-fold plan, but he is determined to go ahead with it and do whatever he can in the short time remaining before he goes out of office.

DISPATCHES from Paris said that Great Britain would informally advise France to drop her idea of submitting to arbitration the question of payment of the \$200,000,000 December interest that was due the United States. The British, however, were represented as being in favor of the French plan for a general conference or general negotiations on the debt question. Joseph Paul-Boncour had succeeded in forming a new French government, not differing widely from that of Herriot, and it is his idea that negotiations with America can be kept open, though he hopes for the accomplishment of nothing vital until after Roosevelt is inaugurated. The American embassy in Paris was prompt in establishing contact with the new cabinet on the debt question. Its counselor, Theodore Mariner, was received by M. Col, an undersecretary of state in the foreign ministry, who probably will have considerable power on foreign questions and is very close to Paul-Boncour.

Both the British and the French statesmen are interested mainly in what the next American administration and the next congress will do about the debts and they refuse to get excited over present developments in this country.

JAPAN so far has successfully bluffed the League of Nations out of taking any action in the Manchurian dispute, and if the British and French representatives have their way, nothing will be done to irritate the island empire. The special committee of 19 of the assembly has dropped all active negotiations until January 16, nominally because of the Christmas holidays, but actually because the Japanese have flatly rejected the proposal for conciliation of the quarrel by a committee on which the United States and Russia would be represented. This was insisted upon by China and the small nations of the league, though there is no reason for believing that the United States wished to participate. The Japanese also refused to put in question the authenticity of the new state of Manchukuo.

When the league takes up the matter again it will be faced with the choice of invoking articles 15 and 16 of the covenant, involving sanctions, or admitting that the covenant doesn't work in a case like this. The latter is the view of Sir John Simon, British foreign secretary, but he has recently invoked article 15 against Persia in the dispute between that country and the Anglo-Persian oil interests. The big powers of the league seem determined not to offend Japan, and China is furious, charging that the Japanese have so schemed it that they will be able to gain a complete victory in Manchuria before any conciliation negotiations can be started.

GOVERNOR ROOSEVELT was dividing his time between cleaning up his work as chief executive of New York in preparation for leaving that post on January 1, and interviewing various distinguished members of his party, presumably concerning cabinet appointments. Among his callers were Arthur Mullen, national committeeman from Nebraska, and William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. It was understood that Mr. Green was promoting the selection of Daniel J. Tobin of Boston for the labor portfolio. Tobin was active on behalf of Mr. Roosevelt in the campaign. Another person meet-



As this year comes to a close we like to think of our customers as our friends. So on the eve of a new year we extend to you our good wishes with the sincere hope that the coming year will bring you greater prosperity and happiness than ever before.

Grayling Mercantile Company**G. H. S. BASKET BALL SCHEDULE**

Jan. 6—Gaylord. There.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 10—Roscommon. Here.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 13—West Branch. There.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 18—Bozette City. Here.
Preliminary to be arranged for 2nd team.
Jan. 20—Lake City. Here.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 27—Alpena. Here.
Preliminary to be arranged.
Feb. 3—Cheboygan. There.
Houghton Lake vs. Reserves.
There.
Feb. 10—Gaylord. Here.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Feb. 17—Roscommon. There.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Feb. 18—East Jordan. Here.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Reserves vs. Gaylord St. Mary's.
Feb. 24—West Branch. Here.
1st and 2nd Teams.
Tournament.

1932 Taxes

Taxes for 1932 are now due and payable to Harluf Sorenson, Township Treasurer, at Olaf Sorenson & Sons' Store.
HERLUF SORENSON
Township Treas.
12-8-tf.

Want Ads

LOST—Sunday, male hound, white, black and brown markings. Please notify Chris King. 12-29-3

LOST—Black suitcase somewhere between Grayling and Roscommon. Finder please notify Geo. Snyder, Cedar Springs, Mich.

FOUND—Chevrolet headlight, Wed., Dec. 21, near Michelson Memorial church. Call for same at Avalanche office.

WANTED—Bids from swamp owners on unpeeled logs for cabin delivered Guthrie Lake near Waters. J. C. Gilbert, 214 Meridian Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan.

FORCE PUMP FOR SALE—Nearly new. High grade pump. Offered at half price. A bargain for someone wanting a first class iron force pump. May be seen

FOR SALE—French Toy Bulldog puppies, \$5.00 each. H. L. Scott, R. 2, Lake City, Mich., 2 miles east, 1 mile north of Lake City.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE—Call at office, Fred Alexander.

FOUND—A Yale door key. Owner may call at Avalanche office for same.

MODERN HOUSE—for sale or rent, either furnished or unfurnished. Very fine place, good location. Inquire of O. P. Schumann, Phone 111.

FOR SALE—Oil heater. Fits into your own stove. No holes to drill. Easily installed. Inquire at Avalanche Office.

GARAGE FOR RENT—in suitable location near Mercy Hospital. Inquire at Avalanche office.



"A windy secretary has a lot of correspondence to blow about."

CHURCH NOTES

MICHELSON MEMORIAL
H. J. Salmon, Pastor.

Church School—10:00 A. M.
Morning Service—11:00 A. M.
Epworth League—6:00 P. M.
Evening Service—7:00 P. M.

Saturday night a watch night service will be held at the church parlors. From 9 P. M. to 11 P. M., social hours. From 11 P. M. to the New Year, devotional hour. Bring either sandwiches or cookies.

MILLION SEE NEW CHEVROLET

ON 1ST DAY DISPLAY OF NEW MODELS

Upwards of 4,000,000 people visited Chevrolet dealer showrooms during the first day's display of new 1933 models, and many retail orders were added during the day to the thousands on hand prior to the showing, H. J. Klingler, vice-president and general sales manager, states. He said it was the most successful announcement, both as to attendance and orders taken, that his company had experienced since 1929.

Hundreds of telegrams from dealers reporting attendance and sales were on Mr. Klingler's desk the morning after the showing. Attendance reports ranged from several score at small associate dealer points to more than 12,000 in the retail store, in the General Motors building, Detroit, where the largest individual showroom

crowd was counted. Mr. Klingler said his estimate of 4,000,000 represented an average of 400 per dealer, which he considered a minimum.

This exceeds any previous estimate of first-day crowds at Chevrolet dealerships, and many reported more public interest, larger crowds and more present retail orders on hand than at any time in their years in business. Mr. Klingler said the outlook is for a 25 per cent increase in his company's sales next year over 1932, when Chevrolet is again leading the industry, with prospects for the full year of about 350,000 new car registrations.

The high first day attendance was achieved despite generally adverse weather conditions throughout most of the country, ranging from extreme cold and blizzards in Eastern and Central Western sections to unseasonable sleet and snow in the central South. Utica, N. Y., reported five degrees below zero, yet more than 4,000 showroom visitors and twenty orders taken.

A New York City dealer reported fourteen first-day orders, doubling last year's experience. From Yonkers, N. Y.: "On the

first day with our 1932 models we got one retail order. This year on the corresponding day we got nine."

Paterson, N. J.: "Snowed hard all day, but 1031 people visited showroom, and thirteen orders taken. Never duplicated this record in any previous showing." From Baltimore: "Zero weather but have sold 159 at retail to date."

From the West coast the Stockton, Cal., dealer wired: "Our demonstrator has been going since early morning with the performance of a \$5,000 automobile. Have taken ten orders and am delivering four today. Tell Mr. Knudsen he has given us all new courage." Spokane, Wash., reported over 2,000 people and seven orders for the day. Eureka, Cal., had 2,000 visitors and took fourteen orders Saturday and Sunday, the dealer commenting that it was "just like old times." Cheyenne, Wyo., had 2342 people Saturday.

Many smaller cities reported surprising attendance and orders. The Mason City, Ia., dealer said "On December 1 we did not have one new order. Up to closing Saturday we had 42." Aurora, Mo., reported 1,500 people and twenty orders. Shawnee, Okla., had over 1000 people, Tallahassee, Fla., had 2,000, and Waycross, Ga., reported six orders.

State bread is just as nutritious as fresh and can usually be purchased for half price.

Smile Worth \$500



Mary V. Dulje of Newark, N. J., merely had to smile and a check for \$500 was handed to her. This was because the judges in the recent national smiles contest decided that her smile was the most beautiful of the 65,000 competing. Mary received her prize from the hand of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President-elect.

New Harvard Captain



John H. Dean, class of '34, full back on the Harvard varsity football team, was elected captain of the 1933 eleven. Dean is twenty-one years of age, weight 191 pounds and 6 feet 2 inches tall. He prepared at Exeter. His home is Cohasset, Mass. He was a member of his freshman football and hockey teams and won numerals in both sports.

American Legion Review

By A. H. GANSSER

Just Fifteen Years Ago.

The third week in December, 1917, found Michigan concentrating its attention on Camp Custer, four miles west of Battle Creek. Building of barracks and warehouses continued despite adverse weather conditions. There the 85th Division of the new national army was being trained for front line duty in France. At war strength the 85th Division would muster about 30,000 men. Gen. Joseph P. Dickman came to Camp Custer on Labor Day 1917. With him came veterans of our war with Spain from the regular army and National Guard, who would take command of the higher units and train the raw recruits. College students and graduates from army officers training camps commanded the smaller units, making up in zest and enthusiasm, what they lacked in modern war training. The states of Michigan and Wisconsin had for some years before the World War come, provided fine summer training camps and fine state armories for their volunteers of the National Guard. This liberality by the people and legislatures of the two sister states was reflected also in the 32nd Division then finishing its war training at Camp MacArthur near Waco, Texas. There the old National Guard units were rapidly becoming expert in modern war duties. Already there was talk of early shipment to France. And the home folks of Michigan and Wisconsin were already planning to give both war time divisions a fine Christmas holiday, for it might be the very last for many of these robust young Americans. America knew little in that hour of the cost of the World War in human lives and human misery. But that little was enough to forecast the inevitable.

Michigan Volunteers Go To War. America had sixteen World War training camps for the National Guard of the several states, and sixteen similar training camps for the conscripts for the new National Army. In addition there were many more training camps for the air service and other special training units, and similar army training camps for the regular army and the marines, land combat troops of our navy. The 85th Division at Camp Custer near Battle Creek faced a very severe winter, 1917-1918, but made the most of this winter war service. When the Allies decided in 1918 to send troops to Archangel, Russia, to help keep open one sally port for the new Russian popular government, America sent the 339th Infantry of our 85th Division from Michigan. Today we read in official source records how well this winter training at Camp Custer prepared the 339th Infantry for the more severe winter service in farthest north Russia. Down at Waco, Texas, the 32nd Division was having its troubles securing the uniforms, arms, ammunition and war equipment, for immediate service in France. As usual the American entry into the World War, foreseen as a possibility for two long years, yet found us quite unprepared for the tremendous needs of a modern war unit of nearly five million men. So in December, 1917, the 32nd Division needed only its full field equipment, to start it for the western front in Europe. Companies had been increased to 250 men each. Infantry regiments at war strength numbered about 3800. Over 28,000 men were ready for France, led by veterans who served in the 1898 campaign in Cuba against Spain, and of the three years of American subjugation of the Philippines. Little did they dream in December, 1917, that within one short year they would run 46,781 through the war grist, losing 10,341 in killed and wounded. All this was mercifully hidden from the Michiganders down in Texas, anxious in that December of 1917 to help end the war.

Another World War Winter. The first men of the 32nd Division were lost when enemy undersea boats torpedoed the ship that was taking the advance guard overseas. The last were to reach France early in March, 1918. The 32nd was the sixth complete American division to reach France. Originally planned to form a base for keeping the front line American divisions to war strength, the 32nd Division soon became a front line fighting unit. American officers who had been in Europe and the fighting fronts in France, Italy and Russia during 1917, came to Camp Custer, Michigan, and Camp MacArthur, Texas, to give first hand information on the latest fighting methods. Like all war news of the day, war censorship did not allow them to give to these new American fighting units the exact status of friend and foe in Europe and Asia in December, 1917. They gave the impression

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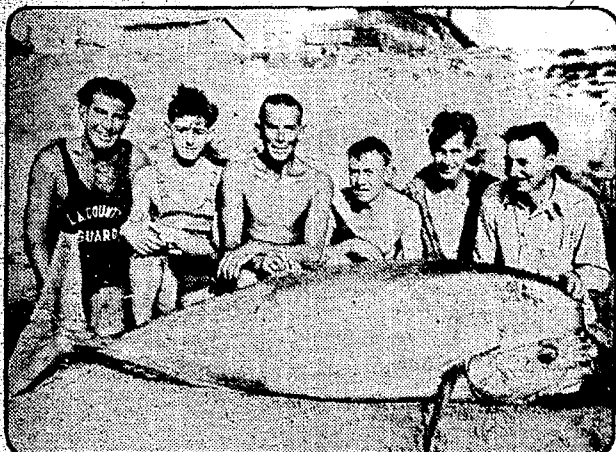
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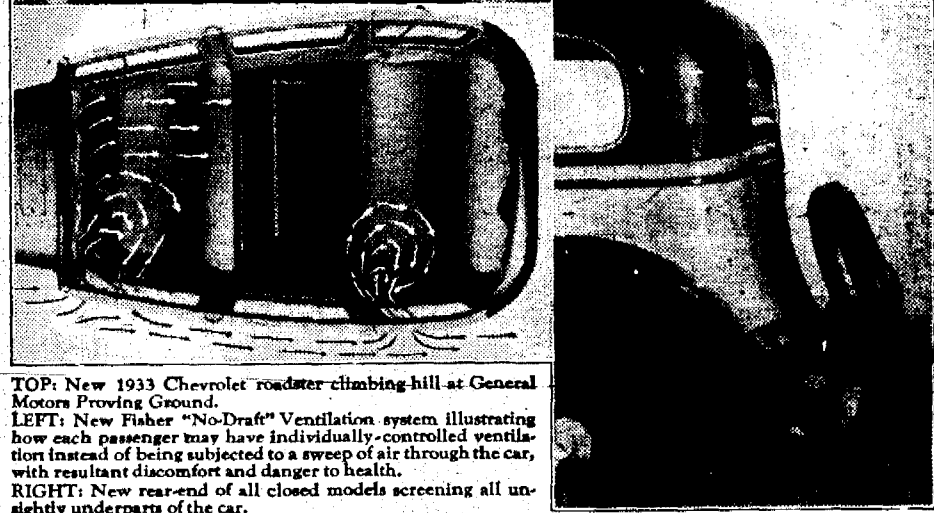
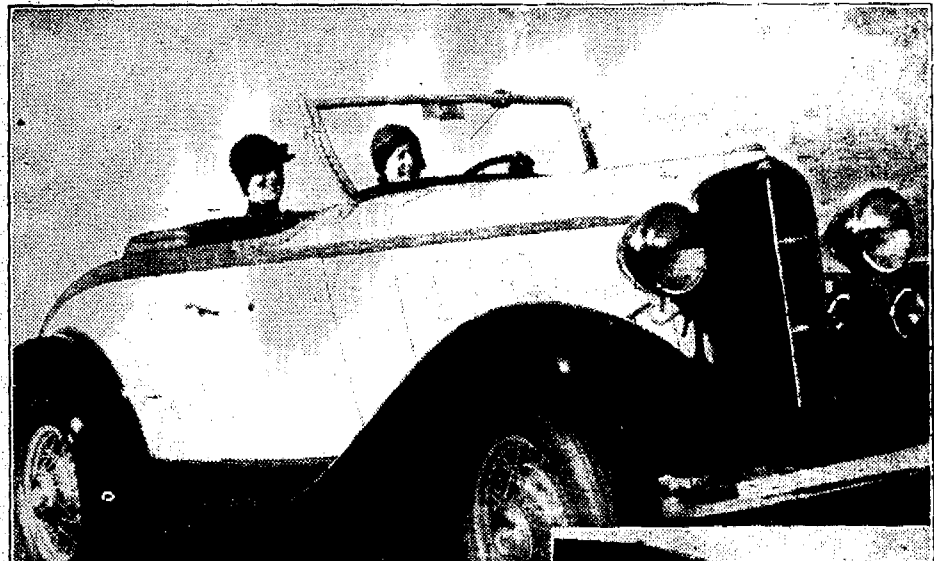
Blood on the ocean at Redondo Beach, Calif., caused hundreds of eyes to turn seaward to witness one of the strangest of fish battles. It was a fight to the death between a marlin swordfish and a giant monster of the deep whose piscatorial identification is yet unknown. Half a mile off shore, the huge marlin was leaping high in the air to lunge its rapier at its thrashing adversary, splashing the sea with blood at every thrust. The spectacular battle soon ended, with the monster floundering to shore, where it died. It weighed 550 pounds, possessed a tuna-like tail, a small round mouth in a perpendicular face, and large brilliant eyes.

Golden Grist of Reno Divorce Mill



As the wheels of the Reno divorce mill grind out a continuous stream of divorce decrees, these boys and their colleagues reap a golden harvest of wedding rings. As soon as the unhappy wives have received their divorce decrees it is quite "the thing to do" to proceed at once to the Truckee river bridge and sling the golden wedding bands into the water. The local lads proceed to reclaim the rings from the river with considerable profit to themselves.

New Chevrolets Add Over 85,000 People to Payrolls of Nation



Chevrolet's public showing of its new 1933 line means a material spur to national employment and materials consumption, since this company is the largest manufacturer in the largest industry in the world. More than 85,000 people are back at work, 30,000 in the company's twenty domestic factories, 21,000 more in Fisher body plants working exclusively on Chevrolet-Fisher bodies, and more than 36,000 in dealerships throughout the nation. As many more are indirectly benefited by the announcement, through making their livelihood by building parts for the car which Chevrolet buys from independent suppliers. Chevrolet's 1932 volume, totaling nearly 400,000 cars and trucks with a retail value in excess of \$200,000,000. This is said to be one of the greatest contributions made by any company this year to the economic welfare of America. In the new line, now on display at all dealers, is a variety of models featuring longer wheelbase, new Fisher "No-Draft" Ventilation system illustrating how each passenger may have individually-controlled ventilation instead of being subjected to a sweep of air through the car, with resultant discomfort and danger to health. RIGHT: New rear-end of all closed models screening all unsightly underparts of the car.

4 SUCH
IS LIFE
By Charles Sughoe
Some
Play
Winter Golf!



Homemakers' Corner

Michigan State College
By Home Economics Specialists

The age of the child host is a good general rule for the number of guests at a children's party. That is, three guests for a three year old, five guests for a five year old, etc. This prevents over-excitement.

A quart of milk contains as much calcium as four pounds of green leafy vegetables, so use it generously in the day's meals. Skimmed milk and buttermilk are good sources of calcium.

Three of the major speakers who will address women attending Farmers Week at Michigan State College, January 30 to February 3 have been announced by Dr. Marie Dye, dean of home economics, who is general chairman of arrangements for the homemakers division.

Mrs. Evelyn Tobey, of the Togy Fashion Service, New York City, will discuss the economically well-dressed woman, at the first general meeting.

"Walking a Little Happier" is to be the subject of Mrs. Lillian S. Pillard's talk. Mrs. Pillard is connected with the Antioch Shoe Company, one of the projects of the Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, where the school year is divided into alternate periods of six weeks of classes and six weeks of practical experience in the subject in which the student is enrolled.

The third important speaker engaged to date is Miss Marie Rasey of the Detroit board of education, who will talk on "Child Training." Miss Edna V. Smith, state leader of home demonstration agents, is acting as assistant chairman with Dean Dye in arranging particulars for the women's meetings.

WARNING GIVEN RABBIT HUNTERS

The following precautions should be rigidly observed by hunters, market men, housewives (and others who handle wild rabbits) if they would be absolutely safe from tularemia, or rabbit fever:

1. Never put your unprotected hands into a wild rabbit.
2. Always wear rubber gloves when handling wild rabbits.
3. The rabbit must be thoroughly cooked; so well cooked that there is no red meat, nor any red juice, near the bone.
4. As at least 1 per cent of all wild rabbits are infected, the hunter, to be perfectly assured of safety, should not take home a wild rabbit that he shoots in the field if it seems sickly.
5. In order to minimize possible infection, rabbits which seem slow or sickly, or can be run down and killed with a club, should be killed and, preferably, buried.

One of these child experts advises letting the child create his own emotional dynamo. Our experience has been that the problem is to get him to shut the thing off.—Nashville Banner.

Dog Bark Used to Open Doors, Turn on Lights

Seattle.—A house of magic was discovered at Issaquah, a little town in the Cascade mountains, at which the bark of a dog opens the garage doors and turns on the lights!

William Udd, chicken rancher, has fitted up a radio device that results in the sound waves actuating an electrical device to open the doors and turn on the lights.

Sensitive vacuum tubes placed at the gate of the yard are affected by the large amount of metal in any gun and they turn on a red light if an armed person enters the gate. Movement of the gate otherwise turns on a green light.

Udd has amplified the slight noise in the cell-building process of potatoes and assertion is made that the sound has been distinctly heard.

A humidity meter which switches on electricity when moisture dampens it closes the doors of the chicken house automatically when it rains. They are released when the sun is shining. The meter was fashioned out of an old alarm clock.

Village Smithy Now Operates Welding Shop

Mason City, Mich.—Jack Fowler, who has not shod a horse in 11 years, is still Mason's village blacksmith.

With the passing of horses, Fowler declares, he was forced to adapt his shop for modern day needs. He now operates a welding establishment, but in one corner he has an anvil, forge, and steel vise stored, which, he says, "are to remind him of olden days."

Fowler came to Michigan 60 years ago and began the blacksmith trade when eighteen years old in a shack which was situated on what is now the site of the Ingham county jail here. At that time, he said, there were seven other blacksmiths in Mason.

Jefferson Davis Home in Memphis Torn Down

Memphis.—The old home of Jefferson Davis, President of the Civil War Confederacy, is being razed and a commercial, revenue-producing building is to be erected on the site. The American Legion has bought the home in the hopes of making it a memorial, but the Legionnaires were never able to carry out the plan.

Stock Boom Brings Out Hoarded Cash

Gary, Ind.—The stock market boom is lifting hoarded cash from caches here. Proof is offered by W. W. Gasser, president of the Gary State bank, in pointing out that money from his own safety deposit boxes is being taken out and placed in the stock market.

Gasser recalled a recent instance when a patron placed \$1,000 in gold coin, somewhat oxidized from long storage, on the counter in exchange for industrial stocks.

Increasing quantities of the old "brick size" bank notes of \$50 and \$100 denominations are turning up, he said.

Gasser said he was of the firm opinion that the "dehoarding" symptoms were genuine omens for a gradual return of "good times."

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ANTON LANG'S SON IS NOW PROFESSOR

Oberammergau Youth of Georgetown Faculty.

Washington.—Anton Lang, Jr., twenty-seven-year-old son of the peasant potter of Oberammergau, whose fame is flung throughout Christendom for his portrayal of the Christ in the "Passion Play," has joined the faculty of Georgetown university as professor of German.

The serious young man who first encountered the hustle and bustle of American life as a student at Holy Cross college, where he was graduated in 1923 with the degree of bachelor of arts, brings word that the citizens of his Bavarian village are planning even now for the next presentation of the famous drama to be given in the summer of 1934.

This occasion, marking the tri-centennial anniversary of the first Passion Play, is an unusual departure in time, for it has been presented only at ten-year periods, the latest being in 1920.

Film Offers Refused. He said the village again would turn down any offer of motion pictures of the drama in 1934, as was done before when economic conditions were acute.

"Our people will never permit the Passion Play to be commercialized in the movies, no matter how much the villagers need the money," he explained.

"During the nearly four years since his departure from the United States Lang has been living in the peace of his Alpine village, pursuing post-graduate work. Like his famous father, he speaks English with scarcely an accent. But unlike his father, whose long hair and flowing beard suggests some of the older Italian paintings of Jesus, the son seems typical of the younger generation.

Dislikes Automobiles. Through his former two years' residence in this country Lang is used to American ways, but is frank in saying he will never become accustomed to American automobiles, which he believes have "taken all the romance away."

He came to Washington direct from Oberammergau, where his parents, two brothers and three sisters live. As all the other members of the Lang family—there are 22 in the village bearing the name, and his relatives number about 150—he has taken part himself in the Passion Play. He was a member of the orchestra in 1930.

His father, who has played the Christ three times—more often than any other man—spoke the prologues for the various scenes in the last enactment.

Only One Resident Is Living in "Ghost" Town

Denver, Colo.—Only one of the 6,000 persons who once sought gold in the rolling mining town of Nevada, high in the Colorado mountains 40 miles west of Denver, still lives in that ghost town.

He is Leonard Nicholls, an old-time miner who has "stuck on" now for 50 years. Even the mayor lives and works in Central City, a mile down the rocky gulch.

Eighteen years ago Nevada held its last election and selected a full complement of officers. Only three of the men chosen at that time are still living, and only one still serves in his official capacity.

He is John Doran, who with his holdover privileges, actually is mayor, city clerk, assessor, treasurer, marshal, fire chief, and the board of trustees. The town still receives about \$200 a year as its share of the taxes of Gilpin county. Each year the fund is spent in the same way.

Nicholls is awarded a contract to maintain the road through the sleeping town. He is paid by warrants issued on the treasurer. Doran issues the warrant and signs it as mayor and town clerk and then countersigns it as the town treasurer.

Until three years ago there had been no one to pay the taxes in this "ghost" camp. So Gilpin county put the whole town on sale at auction, and the Quartz Hill Mining company bought it for \$1,000.

200 Drunken Fish Reel Ashore in California

Moss Landing, Calif.—Liquor is known to have strange effects on human beings, but for fish to deliberately walk out of a river—well, that happened here and several of Moses Landing's leading citizens will swear it isn't a fish story.

Two hundred fish staggered out of the Moss Landing slough, crawled on their stomachs, flattered their gills to the air and then drew their last breath on earth.

Man Evades Army Duty by Using Feminine Name

Kemmerliawar, Turkey.—My misapplying his name a peasant of this village made himself officially a woman and for seven years escaped military service and taxes. Hansen gave his name the feminine twist of Henne when he registered at his coming of age. He was heavily fined.

THE TRAINING OF CHILDREN

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Late Dean of Men,
University of Illinois.

There is no doubt that children need training, and parents as well.

Some day I think I shall write a text on the training of parents. In the meantime there is much being written and published on the training of children, and some of it is worth while. There are magazines on the subject. I have just been reading the prospectus of one. "You are always sure of being right," this prospectus asserts. "If you follow the advice of the understanding men and women who write for our magazine. Because these well-known authorities on child care and training are parents themselves, and know from their own experience just how to help you make a success of your job."

When I am trying to tell Mrs. Barber about her son who has so far been an intellectual flat tire, and make some suggestions as to his proper training, she inquires: "How many children have you?"

I am forced to admit that I am childless. She shakes her head. She has no faith in my suggestions and advice.

"If you had children of your own," she suggests, "you would see things differently."

I think she is correct. If I had children of my own I would be less detached in my judgment, moved more by sympathy than by reason, less able to give an unprejudiced opinion. Not having children, but having had a wide experience with all sorts of young people, I am possibly better fitted to give advice on the training of children than was Brigham Young, for instance, who had a town full. It is hard to make her believe this, however.

Doctor Graham, whom I know well, is a specialist in children's diseases. He has no children but he has studied children for years; he has been in contact with thousands of them. I am not at all sure that if he had a dozen or so of his own he would on that account be better able to diagnose the diseases of other people's offspring.

All that I am trying to show is that parenthood does not necessarily fit one to give other people advice on the training of children. Experience is the essential.

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Next Stop, Norway



Eddie Schroeder, who was Chicago's contribution to the American Olympic skating team, has been selected as a member of the team that will compete with Norway's best skaters at Oslo in January. He is shown getting in some practice in his home city.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said county, on the twenty-eighth day of November, A. D. 1932.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of M. Beatrice Alexander, deceased. J. Fred Alexander, husband of said deceased, having filed in court his petition, praying that an instrument filed in said court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration and the settlement of said estate be granted to said J. Fred Alexander, or some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the twenty-sixth day of December, A. D. 1932, at ten A. M., at said Probate Office is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

The wets are showing downright pleasure at the prospect of having a new way of taxing themselves. It is the first time in history, so far as we know, when a new tax has been a subject for jubilation.—Portland Oregonian.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Whereas, Charles A. Sackrider and Vera H. Sackrider, his wife, made and executed a certain mortgage bearing date the 19th day of February, A. D. 1913, to The Owosso Savings Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, of Owosso, Michigan, which was recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Crawford, Michigan, on the 20th day of February, 1913, in Liber F. of Mortgages on pages 16 and 17.

And Whereas, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage on the date hereof for principal and interest is the sum of nine hundred forty-nine dollars ninety-five cents (\$949.95); and also the additional sums of fifty dollars for the year 1932, and forty-two dollars eight cents (\$42.08) taxes for the year 1930.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale, and in pursuance thereof and of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, the description of which said premises contained in said mortgage and which will be sold as aforesaid is as follows:

The North one-half (1/2) of the Southwest quarter (1/4) of Section twenty-five (25), Town twenty-five (25), Range three (3) West, and

The Southeast quarter (1/4) of the Northeast quarter (1/4), and all that part of the East one-half (1/2) of the Southeast quarter (1/4) and the Northwest quarter (1/4) of Section twenty-six (26), lying East of the railroad, all being in Section twenty-five (25), Town twenty-five (25), Range three (3) West.

(Said premises being used and occupied as one parcel).

Dated October 24, 1932.
The Owosso Savings Bank,
A Michigan Banking Corporation, of Owosso, Michigan, Mortgagee.

Pulver & Bush,
Attorneys for Mortgagee,
Business address: Owosso, Michigan. 10-27-13

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE. Whereas, Emil Kraus and Leone V. Kraus, his wife, of the Village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, as mortgagors, made and executed a certain mortgage dated July 30, 1929, to Marius Hanson, of Grayling, Michigan, as mortgagee, which mortgage was recorded in the Register of Deeds' office in the County of Crawford, in Liber F. of Mortgages on page 369 on May 19, 1932, and

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the Village of Grayling, in said county, on the seventh day of December, A. D. 1932.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Lena M. Niederer, deceased. Emil Niederer, husband of said Lena M. Niederer, having filed in said court his petition, praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of her death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.

It is ordered, that the second day of January, A. D. 1933, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

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PATENTS AND TRADE-MARKS C.A. SNOW & CO.

Pre-Inventory Sale

- 20% off on all Enamelware.
- 20% off on all Tinware.
- 20% off on all Aluminumware.
- 20% off on Copper Boilers.
- 20% off on all Tools.
- 20% off on Glassware.
- 20% off on all Paints.
- 20% off on Paint Brushes.
- 20% off on Galvanized Pails.
- 20% off on Coal Scuttles.
- 20% off on all kinds of Polish.
- 20% off on All Makes of Guns.
- 20% off on Bathroom Scales.
- 20% off on all Clothes Baskets.
- 20% off on Bolts, Nuts and Screws.
- 20% off on all Electric Goods.
- 20% off on Electric Iceboxes.
- 20% off on Washing Machines.
- 20% off on Dust Mops.

This Sale is for Friday and Saturday only and all Sales are Cash.

Hanson Hardware Company

News Briefs

THURSDAY, DEC. 29, 1932

Charles Woods spent Christmas in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Erkes are spending a week with their parents in Grand Haven.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport and daughter Jane spent Monday in Gladwin visiting friends.

Minchon Trevegno of Lansing is spending the week visiting his cousin Mary Gretchen Connine.

Miss Annie Metcalf of Charlevoix is spending the holidays at the home of her brother, Frank Metcalf.

Walter Hemmingson and family spent the Christmas holidays with his father, Chris Hemmingson.

Mrs. Dan Wurzburg of Manistee spent Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brown.

Mrs. R. D. Connine will leave for Traverse City the end of the week to visit her brother who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yuill of Vanderbilt visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ziebell Sunday.

Miss Margrethe Bauman is entertaining at a bridge luncheon at Shoppenagons Inn this afternoon.

Wilbur Stammeler, of New York City arrived Saturday and is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Stammeler.



This is a particularly Happy New Year for, ushered in with it, comes new courage, new hopes and new optimism.

To each and all of you we extend the sincere wish that 1933 will bring all of the good things—health, the thrill of accomplishment, the zest of living—all of which spells happiness and success.



WITH POSTAL TELEGRAPH SERVICE

Fred Alexander is spending a few days in Grand Rapids on business.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bearsh spent Monday and Tuesday in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Johnson of Manistee spent the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Algot Johnson.

Watch the New Year in and the old year out at the dancing party at the school gym Saturday night. Benefit Winter Sports.

Jack Marshall of Toledo, Ohio, arrived Tuesday to spend a few days at the Marshall cabin, Pah-Won-Hee, down the river.

Mr. VanSickle of Houghton Lake who has been a patient at Mercy Hospital for the past few weeks is getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bosworth of Bay City were guests at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson for the holidays.

Mrs. Eva Wingard and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau had as their guests for over Christmas Mr. and Mrs. William Simpson of Romeo.

Stanley Stephan arrived Friday from Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stephan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Olson returned Tuesday from Detroit where they had spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Olson's mother, Mrs. Sarah Stillwell.

Miss Susannah Metcalf, who attends Junior Business College in Bay City, arrived Friday to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Metcalf.

Mr. and Mrs. George Granger of Lansing spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Celia Granger, and also with Mrs. Granger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stephan.

Miss Ona Lozon, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Lozon, and son Junior, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lozon, spent the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lozon in Maple Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Einer Rasmussen, of Marlette and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lambert and daughter Joyce of Detroit spent Monday here making the rounds among their relatives and friends, extending Christmas greetings.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Eckenfels enjoyed having the Ben Delamater family in from their ranch for Christmas, also Charles Osmun and family and Miss Muriel Delamater of Tower, who will remain until Saturday.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph for the holidays were Mrs. Alvin Burch and son Kenneth of Traverse City, Mr. Sam Joseph of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Rockwell and son Jimmy of Gaylord.

Mrs. Julius Jensen of Milford who was so badly burned in the early fall from gasoline fire, is reported as being in a serious condition with little hopes for recovery. Mrs. Jensen was formerly Minnie Larson.

The Woman's Club card party for the benefit of the school Milk Fund which was held at the Hanson Hardware clubrooms last night was well attended. Mrs. Ernest Olson received the lady's prize and Dr. Green received the gents prize.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown had as guests for the holidays their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Scholz of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trudo of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown of Bay City, and Emerson Brown of Ann Arbor.

Lieut. and Mrs. R. E. Bates and children of Lansing spent the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bates. Lieut. and Mrs. Bates returned to Lansing Tuesday but the children are remaining for a longer visit with their grandparents.

The Christmas spirit was somewhat marred when our delightful covering of snow was completely washed out by the heavy rains of Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There wasn't enough snow left with which to make a sizeable snowball on Christmas day.

Mrs. Jerry Miller of Gladwin and daughter Mrs. Charles Canfield of Royal Oak entertained a few Grayling ladies at luncheon at Gladwin, Wednesday afternoon. Guests were Mrs. C. R. Keyport, Mrs. Louise Connine, Mrs. A. J. Joseph, Mrs. Clarence Clippert, Mrs. O. P. Schumann. Bridge prizes were won by Mrs. Connine and Mrs. Schumann.

Editor and Mrs. Schumann and daughter Miss Mary spent Christmas with relatives in Grand Rapids and with their daughter Eleanor and husband (Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Smith) at their home at Spring Lake. Other guests at the latter home were Oscar E. Wilkinson and wife (Helen Schumann) of Chicago. Miss Mary returned to Chicago with the latter to remain until after New Year.

The Byron Newell family are moving into the Rose Pond house on U. S. 27.

Charles Wylie arrived Saturday from Olivet College to spend a week with his mother, Mrs. Floyd Goshorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cliff spent Christmas with Mrs. Cliff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marius Hanson, in Lansing.

Miss Mildred Corwin of Lansing is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. William McNeven arrived Friday from Mackinaw City to spend a week with their children here.

Mrs. Kate Loskos left today for Grand Rapids where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morrissey for a few days.

Miss Anna Nelson of Grand Rapids spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson.

Miss Helen Thorington, teacher of the Love school is spending the holiday vacation visiting at her home in Gladwin.

Nels Olson arrived Thursday from M.S.C., Lansing, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Olson.

Grayling Lodge I.O.O.F. will hold installation of officers next Tuesday night at which time lunch will be enjoyed also.

Misses Hazel and Margaret Cassidy left Wednesday to be the guests of Miss Mildred Towalely in Detroit over New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webb and children spent the Christmas holidays in Rogers City at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Russell Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hilton of Ann Arbor were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin, during the Christmas holidays.

Matt Bidvia arrived Friday from Rogers City and is spending the week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bidvia.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jackson and sons, Robert and Harry of Saginaw are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown were called to Augres yesterday by the serious illness of the former's mother. They were accompanied by Frank Bennett.

Miss Emma Hendrickson, who was caring for Mr. Ben Verlinde of Detroit, who was ill with pneumonia at the home of his sister in Waters, returned home last week, her patient having recovered.

Earl Gierke is home from Central State Teachers College, Mt. Pleasant, for the holiday vacation and is spending part of the time assisting County Clerk A. M. Peterson at the Court house.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milnes motored to Clare Monday. On their return they were accompanied by Mrs. Milnes' sister, Mrs. Martin and daughter Jane Ann who will spend the week at the Milnes home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Cooley and grandson Sam Gust, spent the Christmas holidays in Vanderbilt at the home of Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Winer. Mr. and Mrs. Cooley returned Sunday while Sam remained for the rest of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Scott enjoyed having the former's mother Mrs. Alice Scott and sister Miss Alice as their Christmas guests. On their return to Bay City Monday they were accompanied by Virginia Scott who will spend the two weeks vacation with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon W. Chappel are entertaining as their house guests during the holiday season, several guests from Oxford, including their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Roy W. Chappel, Miss Doris Schumaker, Miss Arline Baldwin and Mr. Francis Baldwin. The party will remain until after New Year's.

Miss Mildred Corwin entertained at breakfast Monday morning in honor of her sister, Mrs. George Hilton, of Ann Arbor. The tables were decorated in green and white with centerpieces of yellow baby "mums" and snapdragons. Games were played in which prizes were won by Miss Ferne Armstrong and Miss Isa Granger. The bride was showered with many beautiful gifts.

Jack Redhead reported last week, during the cold spell, that he saw a robin near his home on the AuSable, near the Adam Gierke home. We know that when Jack says this that he isn't mistaken for he has lived among wild life since boyhood and knows what he is talking about. Such a sight is rare at a time when the temperature hovers around and below zero every night, and the ground is covered with about two feet of snow.

DRESS SALE

Wool Crepes, Jerseys, Silk Crepes, fancy Prints and Rayon Dresses

\$1.88 \$3.95 \$5.95

Special Clean-Up Sale of Ladies Hats

\$1.00

Ladies and Misses Coats

1-2 Off

Grayling Mercantile Company

Everett Corwin spent Christmas with friends in Blissfield, Mich.

Edward Mayotte spent the Christmas holiday at his home in Munising.

Mrs. Alfred Hanson and Miss Marie Brown were in Bay City Wednesday on business.

You'll have the time of your life at the New Year's Jig Saturday night. School gym.

Fr. J. L. Culligan enjoyed having as his guest over Christmas his father of Grand Rapids.

Helen and Gordon Pond spent Wednesday in Bay City visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Letzkus.

School closed last Friday afternoon for the holiday vacation, the teachers having gone to their various homes for the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Whitney (Viola Arnold) have gone to St. Louis to reside. The young couple were married a few weeks ago.

Miss Rosalie Stammeler is enjoying a visit from Miss Audra Rose of Quincy, who is spending several weeks at the Stammeler home.

Edmond Lozon has leased the T. E. Douglas garage next to the Hotel Annex and says he is all set for auto repairing. Ed is a hard worker and gives his customers good service.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Warner and children of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jorgenson and daughter Betty Lou, of Pontiac, were guests at the home of Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson entertained the members of the Nelson family at dinner on Christmas. They included Wilhelm Nelson Sr., Mrs. Marie Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Nelson Jr., and four children.

The almost continuous rains of last week Thursday, Friday and Saturday reduced our two feet of snow to bare ground. At present there is no snow and the weather is like early spring. But the air is crisp and clear as is usual in this part of Northern Michigan.

It is with a lot of pleasure that we take this opportunity to congratulate Editor D. E. (Gene) Matheson, of the Roscommon Herald-News, on having reached the 25th birthday of that splendid community newspaper. Last week's edition of the Herald-News contained an interesting resume of the 25 years of its existence, struggling as it did from an enthusiastic beginning to today with its splendid printing plant and a newspaper of which the people of Roscommon should be proud. Our hearty congratulations and best wishes for many more years of splendid success.

Mrs. Harry Souders is spending two weeks in Frederic at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Corsaut.

Don't forget that the Grayling Lumberjacks will play Kalkaska All Stars at the Grayling gym, Wednesday night, Jan. 4. Everybody out.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon, who are caretakers at the Arnold Boutell place on the North Branch left Wednesday for Foley, Alabama, to be gone for the winter. The Stillwagons will look after the Boutell quail ranch in Alabama.

Miss Virginia Hanson, who spent Christmas with her grandmother Mrs. R. Hanson, left Monday night for Detroit where she will be the guest of Miss Shirley Ewald for a week. After the New Year holiday they will return to Poughkeepsie, New York where both girls attend Vassar College.

Just as we had begun to think that Old Santa had already exceeded his budget, along came A. M. Henderson, manager of the local Nehi Bottling Works with a two-dozen case of their assorted beverages. And we are very glad to get it. Nehi soft drinks are good to the last drop, and we know we shall enjoy them. Thanks a lot.

It is easily seen that the output of timber these days in comparison with the time when woodsmen were woodsmen in real earnest, with that of present day woodcutters. One of our citizens cites in comparison a time when our now postmaster, M. A. Bates, Henry Bates and Henry Stephan would cut from 150 to 200 Norway logs in a day, and the work done by four men recently when together they cut in a day 100 sticks four feet long and from 4 inches in size, up. The difference seems incredible.

WIN PRETTY DOLLS

Fifteen little girls were made happy on Christmas morning, when the results of the annual doll contest were made known at the Mac & Gidley drug store. This has been a custom at this drug store to give such a contest at holiday time and it creates a lot of enthusiasm. This year the lucky girls winning from the first prize to the fifth were:

- 1—Patricia Hewitt.
- 2—Patricia Chappel.
- 3—Sally Jane McClain.
- 4—Dorothy Perry.
- 5—Emily Giegling.
- 6—Beatrice Decker.
- 7—Dorothy Stock.
- 8—Dorothy Swanson.
- 9—Sally Ann Ward.
- 10—Lorraine Kolka.
- 11—Margaret Flagg.
- 12—Beverly Stephan.
- 13—Alice Denewett.
- 14—Caroline Nelson.
- 15—Virginia Scott.

STINSON FUNERAL HELD IN FREDERIC

The funeral of Mrs. Armond Stinson was held Tuesday afternoon with services at the M. P. church, Frederic, Rev. C. E. Browning officiating. There was a large congregation of relatives and friends in attendance at the last rites, which included the following from out of town: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Benjamin and two children, Walled Lake; Mrs. Mabel Stinson, Mr. and Mrs. John Stinson and Vern, Lee and Donald Stinson of Pontiac; Mrs. Laura Sholtz and sons Russell and Jack and Glen Clark of Toledo; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pape and Henry Pape of Saginaw.

Mrs. Stinson passed away at Mercy Hospital on Dec. 17th following a brief illness and her passing was a severe shock to her family and friends. Besides her husband and little daughter she is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Horton, four sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Allen Benjamin, Walled Lake, Mrs. Percy Harmer, Mrs. Francis McCallum, James Horton and Charles and Marie, Frederic. Also her grandmother, Mrs. C. Z. Horton and an uncle Harry Horton, and several nieces and nephews.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

On Monday evening, Dec. 26th, the club held their annual Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. A. J. Joseph. After the regular business meeting Mrs. Webb announced that her committee was planning a Charity Bridge party on Dec. 28th, for the benefit of the Milk Fund, tickets for which would be 25c.

The program was in charge of the Drama Committee who presented a very interesting three act drama entitled "That Awful Letter." Those taking part were Miss Hazel Cassidy; Miss Rosalin Lewis, Mrs. C. J. Green and Mrs. Ernest Hoessli.

Following the play gifts from under the Christmas tree were distributed to the members by Santa Claus, in the person of Billy Joseph. This created considerable laughter as the toy gifts were opened by each individual.

From the dining room, which was lighted by Christmas candles, came the announcement that lunch was ready, which consisted of coffee, tea and holiday cakes.

CARD OF THANKS

We acknowledge with sincere thanks the kind acts and expressions of sympathy of our neighbors and friends in our sorrow.

Axel Swanson,
Mrs. Tony Groes,
Lillian, Elizabeth, Dorothy,
Eva and Wilbur Swanson.

1933 SAVING BEEN IF LEGISLATURE ADOPTS REPORT OF COST COM.

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proposes that the legislature return to itself the constitutional responsibility which it relinquished back in 1921 and subsequent years. It is proposed that hereafter all fees and license monies except highway and conservation revenues be returned to the state treasurer and by him disbursed only as appropriated by the legislature. Both the departments exempted are told they must live on monies collected for their particular use and that the money must hereafter be expended only for the purposes specified. Tax levies are recommended to be made by the legislature instead of the administrative board. Another recommendation is that hereafter, no building projects are to be undertaken until all the money appropriated for such purpose by the legislature shall have been accumulated. Distressing deficits are thus sought to be avoided, it being further recommended that any deficit accruing must be included as an item in the next ensuing biennial budget.

Another field of argument has been explored and findings made public. That is the field of accounting. The report sets forth at length just where duplication of accounting is found and contains definite proposals for reducing such duplication. Certain phases of accounting and auditing in the office of the auditor general are severely criticized.

The Hartman building act of 1929 providing for a five-year \$30,000,000 program of expansion of state institutions is slated for repeal in the report. The author of the act is a member of the commission which proposes abandonment of the expansion program.

The 1931 act which required townships, villages and cities to provide exhaustive reports to the state treasurer also comes in for severe handling. Repeal of the measure said to have cost the taxpayers of Michigan \$100,000 in its first year, is demanded.

Educational Costs.

In no other field are savings to be made as readily as in the realm of education, it appears from the report. More than half of the promised savings to taxpayers is to be found in the chapter devoted to education. From the little red school house in the back hills to the ornate structures at Ann Arbor a severe pruning is recommended. The commission proposes to compel the university and the state college to live strictly within the mill tax revenues, including all new structures and expansions. In addition to the foregoing it is proposed that hereafter only that portion of the mill tax actually collected from property owners shall hereafter be paid over to the board of regents and the state board of agriculture. Limit of the amount to be spread as mill tax is also proposed.

Teacher training colleges are criticized for an alleged growing tendency to expand as liberal arts colleges, duplicating the university and state college in this respect. It is proposed that the so-called normal group return to the strict field of teacher training, leaving degree and title seekers to attend other seats of learning. Tuition fees for students at all teacher training colleges should be increased to an amount not less than one-fourth the actual cost of instruction, the commission declares, thus returning an additional amount of \$375,000 to the general fund of the state from which the teacher colleges are supported. Drastic reductions in salaries, personnel and courses offered are also proposed which again will save approximately \$175,000 annually, it is believed.

Power Given Counties.

Severe criticism has been aimed at the legislature in past years because at each session it has yielded to demands for centralized control of local expenditures. Also it is pointed out the local school officers have been clothed with too much authority over budgets and especially their own salaries. Proposed changes in the school code would result, if adopted, in returning to the people who pay the bills, full control over their requirements. It will no longer be necessary in case the school stove poker wears out to install a complete new heating and ventilating system. Neither will it be necessary, under proposed changes, in the school code to send to Lansing for an expert to tell the school board where to locate the woodshed or the teacher where to set her geraniums.

Supervisors of music instruction hitched to the state department at Lansing, for what purpose yet undiscovered; supervisors of athletics to keep school heads from quarreling with heads of competing schools will have to seek other employment; the extravagant system of child accounting will be abandoned and a simple system of computing the census for apportioning the primary money will be reinstated, provided always the new legislature is

willing to go this far in economy. County boards of supervisors have complained during the past year or two because statutes enacted several years ago set up certain salaries for county and local officials. The commission recommends that in each instance the existing statute be repealed and full authority as to salaries for all local officials be returned to local governing bodies.

The foregoing is merely a review of the highlights of the complete report which occupies nearly 70 pages of facts and findings. By resolution of the commission, Reps. Hartman and Brown, the only members of the commission to survive the election landslide, will jointly introduce early in January, in the house of representatives, more than 100 measures and concurrent resolutions all intended to write into statutory form the economy measures recommended.

Nine Men Served On Inquiry Commission

The nine-man commission which has labored since the close of the special session of the legislature last May was chosen by the governor, the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house of representatives. Each of the three executives named three legislators. Governor Wilbur M. Brucker selected Senator Norman B. Horton of Lenawee, Representatives Gus T. Hartman of Houghton, and Joseph C. Armstrong of Wayne. Lt. Governor Luren D. Dickinson named Senators Ari B. Woodruff, Wayne; Peter B. Lennon; Genesee; James A. Skinner, Flint.

Speaker Fred Ming chose Representatives Vernon J. Brown, Ingham; Andrew H. Hambley, Saginaw; and John P. Espie, Clinton.

Mr. Armstrong was elected chairman of the commission with Mr. Hartman, vice chairman. The commission has been in almost continuous session since early summer. It has conducted scores of hearings where state employees have appeared to be questioned regarding expense and duplication. The commission has had the support of the majority of state officials, its report discloses.

The mortality rate of the commissioners was high. All of them with the exception of Mr. Hartman and Mr. Brown fell before the Democratic onslaught on November 8. However, the commission was appointed to recommend economy measures to the 1933 legislature and the fact that the majority of the commissioners will not return has nothing whatever to do with the findings, it is pointed out by the chairman.

The commission and its functions were provided for by a special act which carried an appropriation of \$10,000. A sizeable portion of this appropriation will be returned to the general fund, the commissioners report.

Solons Pluck Motes From Own Eyes, Seen

The economy commission, made up entirely of members of the state legislature, did not forget its own department when it decreed economies for other branches of state government. In fact it is believed that the ratio of savings proposed as compared with the total outlay in previous years is greater than that demanded of any other branch of state service.

Abandonment of all junket trips by members; payment to employees only for the days they actually work; consolidation of postoffices and document rooms of house and senate under one management; elimination of soft berths between sessions; slashing of salaries of all legislative employees; and improved methods of printing bills and enrolled acts, are among the reforms offered in a set of bills and joint rules proposed. A saving of \$63,000 each biennial session is possible under these reforms, it is estimated, these estimates being based on sessions of five months. It is expected that the 1933 session will exceed this period.

Recommended Saving

Members of the commission of inquiry into state expenses say savings of \$10,000,000 each two years can be made if their report is adopted. Here are a few of the items of the \$10,000,000 total:

Legislature	\$63,000
Administrative Board	10,000
Dept. of Agriculture	42,000
Conservation Dept.	250,000
State & County Fairs	157,000
Dept. of Health	154,000
Employment Bureau	43,000
State Library	20,000
Dept. of Education	300,000
Securities Commission	75,000
Parole System	500,000
Utilities Commission	25,000
Vocational School	56,000
Girls' School	24,000
Soldiers' Home	250,000
School for Deaf	29,000
Coldwater School	23,000
Prisons & Reformatories	400,000
University of Michigan	2,000,000
Michigan State College	750,000
Normal Colleges	200,000
Homestead & Swamp tax	83,000
State Police	120,000

WINS FAVOR AS WINTER RESORT

(Dept. of Conservation Press Service)

Augmented by additional equipment and favored by excellent weather conditions, the "winter sports" grounds on the Hanson Military Reserve near Grayling are bidding this winter for recognition as one of Michigan's outstanding winter resorts.

Through equipment furnished by the Parks Division of the Department of Conservation, the Grayling winter resort now has available toboggans, skis and snowshoes for the use of visitors.

The playground is located on the Hanson Military Reserve two miles southwest of Grayling on Highway M-93. The ski jump and toboggan slides are on "Johnson's Hill" which rises 135 feet above the level of the surrounding fields and which permits a toboggan cruise of almost a mile. An endless chain returns the toboggans to the top of the hill.

A large skating rink has been provided at the foot of the hill. During the present winter, lunches will be served visitors and warm rest rooms have been provided.

Considerable of the equipment was furnished by the Parks Division last year but because of lack of snow during the winter of 1931-32, it was impossible to operate.

Because of its accessibility and the fact that freezing weather is assured practically all during the winter, the Grayling resort is expected to gain in popularity.

The Parks Division for several years has been interested in providing winter sport facilities at one of its parks but has not been able to finance such a project. Since the Grayling project was built on state owned land and since it was operated as a public recreational area the Parks Division has felt justified in cooperating with the Grayling Winter Sports Association in furthering this movement.

HUNTERS EXPRESS THEIR OPINION

The average Michigan deer hunter saw 25 deer during the open hunting season, it is indicated from 100 deer tally cards selected at random from among the thousands received by the Department of Conservation.

The 100 hunters, 64 of whom hunted in the upper peninsula and 36 in the lower peninsula, saw a total of 2,595 deer.

The 64 upper peninsula hunters saw 208 bucks. They reported seeing 600 does and 404 fawns or unidentified deer.

Ninety of the 100 hunters reported their observations of deer conditions. Forty-six said they believed the number of deer to be increasing; 19 believed the deer herd decreasing and 25 said they saw no change in deer conditions. Practically all of the hunters expressed opinions on their tally cards of their reactions to present deer laws, of deer law enforcement or made suggestions relative to some particular angle of the situation in which they were interested.

Opinion was divided as to the continued efficiency of the one buck law, hunters in the same camp differing both as to the success of the law and whether deer are increasing or decreasing in that vicinity.

One hunter said there were more deer in the locality he hunted than there were 20 years ago. Another said, "There are 50 deer now to one 20 years ago."

"Too much country for the amount of deer in it," a Presque Isle County hunter reported. "Have game wardens visit deer camps and leave a card saying, 'I will be back,' it will save deer," a hunter suggested.

A compilation of all information given on all cards received is now being made by the Game Division.

MICHIGAN 9TH IN OIL PRODUCTION

High oil production records for 1932 raised Michigan's rating among the oil producing states to ninth place, a report issued by the U. S. Bureau of Mines to the Department of Conservation indicates. The report lists 19 states as productive of oil. Within a year Michigan increased its ranking from thirteenth place among these states.

During the first 10 months of the year Michigan wells produced 5,766,000 barrels of crude oil as compared with 3,785,000 barrels for the entire year 1931 and 3,923,000 barrels in 1930.

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WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

(By Congressman Roy O. Woodruff, Tenth Michigan District)

Tuesday, the 13th of December was an eventful day in the House of Representatives. The first unusual thing occurred when Representative McRadden of Pennsylvania rose and impeached the President of the United States. He handed the reading clerk a lengthy document setting forth his charges and after the same had been read, a motion to lay on the table offered by Representative Poff of North Carolina, one of the oldest and most members of the House, and one of its staunchest Democrats, was carried by a vote of 361 to 8.

Those voting for the resolution of impeachment were Black of New York, Blanton of Texas, Griffen of New York, Hancock of North Carolina, Patman of Texas, Komjue of Missouri, Sweeney of Ohio, all Democrats, and McFadden, the author of the resolution, the lone Republican.

Those voting against the resolution included conservatives and progressives of every shade of opinion. The Democrats voted with the Republicans in rebuking by their votes the members of their respective parties who indulged in this unwarranted attempt to humiliate the President. No member could sit in his seat and listen to the charges and believe for one instant that Herbert Hoover or any other President this country had ever had would or could be guilty of the things charged. The vote by which this attempt was quashed indicates clearly that those who know Mr. Hoover best have confidence in his integrity, even though many of them have at times questioned his judgment.

Recent developments in connection with the foreign debts and our other foreign relations are causing many of the members here who have previously been hostile to the President to wonder whether their hostility to him has been justified.

Even such a rabid partisan as Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, long recognized as one of the most powerful Democrats in the Senate, and one who goes to great lengths in seeking partisan advantage, has within the past few days found it both expedient and patriotic to forego an announced speech on the action of France, and certain smaller nations in repudiating their financial obligations to us. He did this only after discussing these matters with the Secretary of State.

Those who know Senator "Pat" as we know him here, know he would not miss the opportunity presented for bringing confusion upon the Republican Administration without having become convinced that the President's handling of these troublesome and rather dangerous questions had been both wise and statesmanlike. At this time particularly, it should be remembered that the nerves of the peoples of the world are on edge. There is suffering everywhere. Things are being done that in normal times would be unheard of. Things are being said by irresponsible in semi-authority which are not conducive to friendly settlement of the questions in dispute between nations. This should be stopped. No one in authority should rock the diplomatic boat. The possible results are too serious to contemplate.

Some time after the attempt to impeach the President had so ignominiously failed, the entire membership was startled when a young man in the gallery of the House Chamber demanded in a loud voice that he be permitted to address the House for 20 minutes. He was flourishing a large revolver which afterwards was found to be fully loaded, and evidently intended to enforce his demand by use of the same.

There is no telling how serious this affair would have become had it not been for the coolness and courage displayed by Representative Melvin J. Maas of Minnesota, who walked quietly over to the man and said, "All right, young man, throw down your gun and I'll try and arrange for you to speak." The young man hesitated and Maas continued, "Come on, throw me the gun," at which the other man took the revolver by the barrel and tossed it down.

Maas is one of the younger members of the House and is finishing his third term. He was beaten for renomination this year because, owing to Congressional reapportionment, all members of that state were compelled to run "at large" and he lacked the necessary state-wide acquaintance to insure success. He served in France in the Marine Corps air service during the war and is now a reserve Major in that service.

The young man who created all the excitement in Marion R. Kemmerer, 25-year-old clerk of Allentown, Penn. Two sticks of dynamite were found in the room he occupied. He insists he did not intend to harm anyone, but was prepared to end his own life. He came to Washington to enlighten Congress on a plan he had developed to end the depression. He is under observation in a local hospital to determine his mental condition.

Still later in the afternoon of that day, the death of Representative Daniel E. Garrett of Texas was announced. He had been in ill health for a number of months. He had been a member of Congress for twenty years. He was buried at Houston, Texas, his home. His is the 22nd death of Members of the House of Representatives elected to the 72nd Congress, which comes close to the record total of 24 in any one Congress.

HARMONY CLUB GIVES ENJOYABLE RECITAL

Mrs. June Underwood's Harmony club gave a recital at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skingley on Tuesday evening of last week. Following is the program:

Piano solo, "General Grant's March"—Stephan Jorgenson.
Vocal solo, "Mighty Lak a Rose"—Elna Mae Sorenson.
Piano solo, "The Moon Rocket"—Dorothy Wakeley.
Piano solo, "Little Playmates"—Marion Skingley.
Hawaiian guitar duet, "My Bonnie"—LeRoy Babbitt, Mrs. Underwood.

Piano duet, "Poet and Peasant"—Virginia Skingley, Mrs. Underwood.
Vocal solo, "Sleepy Hollow Tune"—Helene Babbitt.
Hawaiian guitar solo—Donald Corwin.

Piano solo, "Christmas or Babies Night"—Virginia Feldhauser.
Piano duet, "Sleighride"—Virginia and Evelyn Skingley.
Piano solo, "The Little Skeptic"—Alberta Knibbs.
Piano solo, "Bells At Christmas"—Virginia Skingley.
Hawaiian guitar duet, "Silent Night"—Marleah Kochanowski, Donald Corwin.

Piano solo, "Chimes At Christmas"—Evelyn Skingley.
Vocal duet, "Whispering Hope"—Helene Babbitt, Mrs. Underwood.

Piano solo, "A Christmas Fantasia"—Elna Mae Sorenson.
Piano solo, "Hanging the Stocking"—Elaine McDowell.
Solo, "Oh Night Divine"—June Underwood.

The Harmony club which was organized recently has for its officers the following: President, Stephan Jorgenson; vice president, Virginia Skingley; secretary, Evelyn Skingley; treasurer, Marleah Kochanowski; press correspondent, Helene Babbitt. At the close of the evening Stephan Jorgenson presented Mrs. Underwood with a silver jewel case as a Christmas gift from the class.

LOVELLS

(By Mrs. C. Nephew)

The Cheerful Givers met at the home of Mrs. Edgar Caid last week to fill the stockings and get the gifts ready for the Christmas tree.

Robert Papenfus and Virginia Feldhauser who attend high school in Grayling are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith and daughter Norma of Saginaw spent Christmas with Mrs. Ida Bill on Big Creek.

The Kellogg and Lovells schools have their Christmas programs together. Some of the Frederic high school pupils came also to help with the program. They had a nice treat and every kiddie was remembered.

Jennie, Bessie, and Edna Small, Elmo Nephew and Lewis Stillwagon, who attend high school in Frederic, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith are spending a few days with Mrs. Smith's father, Joseph Vance.

Miss Doris Small visited her sisters in Frederic last week.

Miss Margaret Douglas, who teaches in Grayling, is home for the holidays.

Roy Papenfus, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nephew and daughter Iris, went to the Christmas entertainment last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg spent Christmas in Frederic with Mrs. Kellogg's parents.

Ray Duby is visiting friends in Indian River.

Mr. John Selly made a business trip to Flint last week.

Grandma Husted and Miss Margaret Husted of West Branch spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Caid.

Mrs. Edgar Caid and Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon went to Gaylord Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griswold and family are visiting Mrs. Griswold's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Caid.

Clarence Stillwagon went to West Branch last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caid of Lewisville came to the Christmas program at Lovells.

Mrs. Shaw of Frederic was a caller in Lovells Monday.

came to Washington to enlighten Congress on a plan he had developed to end the depression. He is under observation in a local hospital to determine his mental condition.

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FREDERIC AND DEWARD
(By Lela Parkinson)

We wish you all a Happy New Year.

Henry Shawl who is working in Flint spent Christmas with his wife and family of Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Borchers and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McFers of Grayling spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. Madill.

Baby Horton passed away last Wednesday and was laid away to rest Thursday. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Horton have our sympathy.

Mrs. Pratt is caring for Mrs. Jim Horton during her illness.

Sorry to learn that Jim Horton is sick in bed. It seems that the Horton family are getting more than their share of trouble.

Mrs. Lydia Stinson's funeral was also attended by two sisters, Mrs. Allen Benjamin of Walled Lake, Mich., and Mrs. Laura Sholtz, and two sons of Toledo, Ohio. Also her mother-in-law, Mrs. Stinson and three sons of Pontiac, and Orley Benjamin of Walled Lake.

Edith Olson who is teaching school at Battle Creek is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. Olson in Frederic.

Rev. Browning and family and the basketball team went to Harrison to play Monday night.

Mrs. Rebecca Ray and Mr. Wm. Cox were happily married by Rev. Browning Christmas Eve. Friends of Frederic extend hearty congratulations. They will reside at the Cox home.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis McClellan and family are spending the holidays in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Murphy and family enjoyed the company Xmas day of the son and brother, Ray Murphy, who is working at Alba.

Frederic basketball team broke their record and defeated Johannesburg last Tuesday night. The score was 30 and 23 in favor of Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smock spent Christmas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gannon in Grayling.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Ernie Richards who has been sick for some time, and also Mrs. McCracken who has been sick, were both able to attend the Christmas program.

Both the church and school programs were successes and well attended.

Mr. Ace Leng and family and Mr. Wm. Leng and family attended the Leng Christmas reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Craven are spending the holidays in various towns in the southern part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Shawl and Mrs. A. Madill and baby spent Monday at Lovells.

Earl Wallace made a business trip to Grayling Monday.

Mrs. Maude Short and son Louie and Myrtle Verline were callers at Parkinson's Monday.

J. J. Higgins wishes everybody a happy and successful new year.

Vance Horner of Pontiac is spending the holidays with his

parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neil and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith and Pat McKay spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Welch in Frederic.

Miss Clarice Welch who is a nurse at Grayling hospital spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Welch.

Miss Elsie Burke who is nursing at Grayling hospital, and her friend Ernie Larson of Grayling, spent Christmas Eve with her mother, Mrs. John Burke.

Rev. Browning and family and Sanford Charron of Frederic attended the Christmas program at Lovells Saturday night.

Mr. Floyd Anee of Allentown, Mr. and Mrs. Erve Roe, and Mrs. Maude Short and son Louie enjoyed Christmas dinner with Mr. Ridgeway.

Mr. and Mrs. Erve Roe, Mr. Ted Ridgeway and Mrs. Maude Short were entertained at a birthday supper Xmas night in honor of Clarence Weaver.

One of these child experts advises letting the child create his own emotional dynamo. Our experience has been that the problem is to get him to shut the thing off.—Nashville Banner.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said county, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1932.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Oscar Swanson, deceased.

Anna Gross, a daughter of said deceased, having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration and settlement of said estate be granted to Clarence Gross of the Village of Grayling in said county, or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, That the 30th day of January, A. D. 1933, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

George Sorenson,
Judge of Probate.

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George Sorenson,
Judge of Probate. 12-28-4

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Lansing
George R. Hogarth, Director.

A competitive examination will be held on Saturday, January 7th, at eight o'clock, A. M., Eastern Standard Time, at the High School at Roscommon, Michigan, for the purpose of filling a vacancy occurring in the position of Assistant District Supervisor, State Conservation Department, for the counties of Roscommon, Crawford, Kalkaska, and Missaukee; and is open to any bona fide male resident of the State between the ages of twenty-five and forty-five.

Department of Conservation.